IN THE HIGH COURT OF UTTARANCHAL AT NAINITAL

Writ Petition No. 980 of 2003 (M/B)

1. Narain Singh Chauhan
   s/o Mohan Singh Chauhan
   r/o Village Jakholi, Rudraprayag
2. Bijendar Singh Mewar
   S/o Late Sri Surat Singh Mewar
   R/o Village Jakholi, Rudraprayag
3. Murlidhar Bhatt s/o Shri Banya Ram Bhatt
   r/o Village Bamangaon, Jakholi, Rudraprayag
4. Arjun Singh s/o Amar Singh
   R/o Village Bachwad, Jakholi, Rudraprayag
5. Chandra Singh s/o Rudra Singh Negi,
   R/o Village Kanpanya, Jakholi, Rudraprayag
6. Birendra Dutt s/o Late Sri Datt
   R/o Village Bhatadi, P.O. Paunthi
   Block Jakholi, Rudraprayag. -----Petitioners

Versus

State of Uttaranchal,
through Secretary, Higher Education,
Dehradun and others. -----Respondents.

Sri L.K. Tiwari, Advocate for the petitioners
Sri N.B. Tiwari, C.S.C. for the respondents

Coram: Hon'ble S.H. Kapadia, C.J.
Hon'ble M.M. Ghildiyal. J.

Date: 21.10.2003:

PC:-

This writ petition is filed in the guise of public interest. By this writ petition, writ of mandamus is sought against the respondents to select proper place for Government Degree College, Jakholi, Rudraprayag. It is the grievance of the petitioners that the respondents have selected plot in village Dewal to shift the existing College, which is not suitable for the College. We find from the records that some of petitioners are the owners of plot in village Dewal and that they do not wish to give up that plot and, they have filed this petition in the guise of Public Interest Litigation stating that there is a forest land in the vicinity where the college could be put up.

For the afore-stated reasons, the writ petition is rejected.

(M.M. Ghildiyal. J.) **(S.H. Kapadia, C.J.)**

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